

**ORDINANCE NO. 20121018-062**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 13-2 (*GROUND TRANSPORTATION*) ADDING A NEW SUBPART H TO ARTICLE 2 (*GROUND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OTHER THAN TAXICABS*) TO PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS FOR LIMOUSINE, CHARTER SERVICES, SHUTTLES AND AIRPORT SHUTTLES.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1.** City Code Chapter 13-2 (*Ground Transportation Services*) is amended to add a new Subpart H (*Special Events Permits for Limousine and Charter Services*) to Article 2 (*Ground Transportation Services other than Taxicabs*) to read:

**Subpart H. Special Events Permits for Limousine, Charter Services, Shuttles, and Airport Shuttles**

**§ 13-2-390 SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT PROCESS DESCRIBED.**

- (A) The director may initiate the special event permitting process for temporary vehicle permits and temporary chauffeur permits for use during Special Events in the Austin area. Special Events for purposes of this Subpart are limited to the following annual events:
- (1) Austin City Limits (ACL);
  - (2) Circuit of the Americas (COTA) Events:
    - (a) America Le Mans Series;
    - (b) Formula One Grand Prix;
    - (c) Grand-Am Road Racing Series;
    - (d) Moto GP Series;
    - (e) V8 Supercar Series; and
  - (3) South by Southwest (SXSW)

**§ 13-2-391 SPECIAL EVENT TEMPORARY VEHICLE PERMITS.**

- (A) Limousine, charter, and shuttle companies may apply for Special Event temporary vehicle permits. The application must include:
- (1) The make, model, and age of the vehicle the company will use to provide service during the Special Event;

- (2) Proof of current insurance for each vehicle the company will use to provide service during the Special Event; and
  - (3) Proof that the each vehicle for which the company seeks a temporary permit has passed a safety inspection.
- (B) A company may apply for Special Event Temporary Vehicle Permits up to 42 days before the Special Event, but no later than three working days before the Special Event.
- (1) Applications received within 18 days of the special event will incur a fee for expedited processing, to be established under separate ordinance.
- (C) Companies without a valid operating authority under Article 2, Division 1 (*Operating Authority*) will be denied Special Event Temporary Vehicle Permits.
- (D) Companies not in compliance with the requirements of the applicable provisions of Chapter 13-2 (*Ground Transportation Passenger Service*) will be denied Special Event Temporary Vehicle Permits.
- (E) A vehicle older than five model years will be denied a Special Event Temporary Permit.
- (F) Special Events Temporary Vehicle Permits will be valid for up to 16 days.
- (G) Once issued, the Special Event Temporary Permit must be affixed to the center of its accompanying vehicle's dashboard.
- (H) The fee for Special Event Temporary Permits will be established by separate ordinance.
- (I) The maximum number of temporary vehicle permits issued can be up to 100 percent of the applicant's fleet size. The maximum number of vehicle permits issued will be determined by event size.

#### **§13-2-392 SPECIAL EVENT TEMPORARY CHAUFFEUR PERMITS.**

- (A) Limousine, charter, and shuttle companies may apply for Special Event Temporary Chauffeur Permits. The application must include:
- (1) A copy of the proposed chauffeur recipient's valid U.S. driver's license;

- (2) A three-year certified and complete driving record no more than 60 days old from each state the driver held a license within the last three years; and
  - (3) A FBI criminal background check including fingerprints no more than 60 days old;
- (B) A company may apply for Special Event Temporary Chauffeur Permits up to 42 days before the Special Event, but no later than three working days before the Special Event.
- (1) Applications received within 18 days of the event will incur a fee for expedited processing, to be established under separate ordinance.
- (C) The sponsoring company must pay any fines accrued by the driver with a Special Event Temporary Chauffeur Permit.
- (D) The sponsoring company must notify the City of any lost or misplaced temporary permits.
- (E) Companies without a valid operating authority under Article 2, Division 1 (*Operating Authority*) will be denied Special Event Temporary Chauffeur Permits.
- (F) Companies not in compliance with the requirements of the applicable provisions of Chapter 13-2 (*Ground Transportation Passenger Service*) will be denied Special Event Temporary Chauffeur Permits.
- (G) Special Events Temporary Chauffeur Permits will be valid for up to 16 days.
- (H) The fee for these permits will be established by separate ordinance.
- (I) A chauffeur applicant currently in possession of a valid chauffeur permit issued by any Texas City will be immediately eligible for a Special Event Temporary Chauffeur permit and will not be required to submit a separate application.
- (J) A chauffeur applicant currently in possession of a valid chauffeur permit issued by the City of Austin will be immediately eligible for a Special Event Temporary Sponsorship.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

ATTEST: Shirley A. Gentry  
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City Clerk